

The Constitution – Test Review Sheet

Resources used in studying the Constitution have included: the history textbook, homework worksheets, classwork worksheets, handouts, discussions, and of course the Constitution itself. All of these would be useful to review in preparing for the open-book test. The worksheets, in particular, feature valuable practice questions.

Building A New Government

- What is a *republic*? What is a *federation*?
- What were the concerns over a strong central government?

The Articles Of Confederation

- What powers did the Articles grant to Congress?
- What were the problems with the Articles of Confederation?
- What were the problems facing the new government?

The Constitutional Convention

- Why did delegates meet at the Constitutional Convention?
- Who was elected president?
- What was the Virginia Plan?
- What was the New Jersey Plan?
- What was the Great Compromise?
- What was the Three-Fifths Compromise?

The Constitution

- What are the three branches of government?
- What powers does each branch have?
- What articles in the Constitution give them these powers?
- Why did Federalists and Anti-Federalists disagree about ratifying the Constitution?

Checks and Balances

- How does each branch of government balance the powers of the other branches?

Powers of State and National Governments

- What is federalism?
- What are delegated powers?
- What are reserved powers?
- What are concurrent powers?

The Bill Of Rights

- What is the purpose of the Bill of Rights?
- What freedoms do the first ten amendments give the American people?

Other Material

- What were some other important amendments to the Constitution?
- How does a bill become a law?
- How does the Electoral College choose the president?